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PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY.

[Issued 13th July, 1865.]

SESSION 1864-65.

Thirteenth Meeting (Anniversary), 1 p.m. May 22nd, 1865.

SIR RODERICK I. MURCHISON, K.C.B., PRESIDENT, in the Chair.

THE proceedings commenced by the SECRETARY reading the Regulations for the conduct of the meeting, and the minutes of the last Anniversary; the President then appointed as scrutineers of the ballot Mr. John Hogg, M.A., F.R.S., and Mr. T. Lee.

His Royal Highness the Duc de Brabant was elected one of the Honorary Members of the Society.

Captain Jansen, of the Dutch Navy; Don Felipe Paz Soldan, of Lima; and Don Manuel Villavicencio, were elected Honorary Corresponding Members; and Frederick Boyle, Esq., Alfred Davis, Esq., Augustus W. Franks, Esq., Rev. Charles Hudson, Edward Langley, Esq., Perceval A. Nairne, Esq., Earl Percy, William Perkins, Esq., Thomas Rawling, Esq., Captain the Hon. William Le Poer Trench, Sir Thomas Wathen Waller, Bart., Fellows of the Society.

The Report of the Council was read, and its adoption proposed, seconded, and carried without dissentient voice.

The President then delivered the Medals for the encouragement of geographical science and discovery, the Founder's Medal to Captain T. G. Montgomerie, R.E., who was introduced to the President by Sir Andrew Scott Waugh, and the Patron's Medal to Mr. Samuel W. Baker, who was represented on the occasion by his brother, Mr. John Baker. A Testimonial was also presented to Dr. Arminius Vámbéry.

After the reading of the Annual Address on the progress of Geography, Sir Henry C. Rawlinson spoke as follows:--

"I have a very pleasing duty to perform. It is to ask you, at the VOL. IX.

conclusion of the interesting and instructive address which you have heard, to return thanks for it to Sir Roderick Murchison, and to ask his permission that it should be printed. Sir Roderick has mentioned to you that he has already presided at eleven anniversaries of this Society. I am sure I only echo the sense of the meeting in saying that I hope he may be spared to preside over us eleven years more. Whatever may have been the circumstances which have led to his continuing the occupancy of the chair for this year, I am sure they cannot fail to be gratifying to the meeting for the result which they have caused. The address which has just been read has been listened to with greater attention, and has been more interesting and instructive, than any that I recollect; and I only express what I know you all feel when I say that we hope he may live to deliver many more similar addresses."

The vote of thanks was carried unanimously.

The Scrutineers then reported the election, without dissentient vote, of all the officers recommended by the Council; and the President announced the names as follows: -President: Sir Roderick I. Vice-Presidents: Vice-Admiral Sir. G. Back, Murchison, K.C.B., F.R.S. D.C.L., F.R.S.: John Crawfurd, Esq., F.R.S.; Viscount Strangford; Major-General Sir Henry C. Rawlinson, K.C.B. Trustees: Lord Houghton; Sir Walter C. Trevelyan, Bart. Secretaries: Clements R. Markham, Esq., F.S.A.; Laurence Oliphant, Esq. Foreign Secretary: Francis Galton, Esq., F.R.s. Members of Council: John Arrowsmith, Esq., F.R.A.S.; Colonel George Balfour, R.A., C.B.; Thomas H. Brooking, Esq.; Lord Colchester; Rear-Admiral R. Collinson, c.B.; R. W. Crawford, Esq., M.P.; the Earl of Donoughmore; Right Hon. Sir David Dundas, M.P.; James Fergusson, Esq., F.R.S.; Right Hon. Sir Thomas F. Fremantle, Bart.; Cyril C. Graham, Esq.; W. J. Hamilton, Esq., F.R.S.; Lord William Hay; Captain Sir John C. Dalrymple Hay, Bart., R.N., M.P.; Thomas Hodgkin, Esq., M.D.; Captain Felix Jones (late I.N.); John Kirk, Esq., M.D.; Sir Charles Nicholson, Bart.; H. Danby Seymour, Esq., MP.; W. Spottiswoode, Esq., F.R.S.; Major-General Sir A. Scott Waugh, F.R.S. Treasurer: Reginald T. Cocks, Esq.

In conclusion, a vote of thanks to the retiring Members of Council, the members of the various Committees, the Auditors, and Scrutineers, was put and seconded, and the meeting then separated.